

Appl. No. 09/941,124
Amdt. dated September 17, 2003
Reply to Office action of August 20, 2003

Remarks/Arguments:

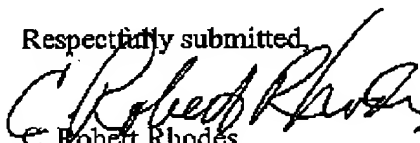
Claims 1-2, 4-17, and 19-22 are pending in the case.

Claims 1-2, 4-17, and 19-22 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, because the specification, while enabling for a method of fixing dyes that includes heating at approximately 350 degrees Fahrenheit for between 90 seconds and 120 seconds, does not enable other ways of fixing the dyes.

Applicant herein amends Claims 1, 8, and 16, in accordance with the interview on May 21, 2003, to include the temperature (about 350 degrees Fahrenheit) and time ranges (between 90 seconds and 120 seconds) as originally claimed.

The applicant believes that the Examiner's rejections have now been successfully overcome, and the application has been placed in condition for immediate allowance. Such action is respectfully requested. However, if any issue remains unresolved, Applicant's attorney would welcome the opportunity for a telephone interview to expedite allowance and issue.

Respectfully submitted,



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